

CHILD AND ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAM
CHILD CARE STANDARDS
For State Alternate Approval Homes
7 CFR 226.6 (d)(2)

Instructions - Annually an authorized sponsor representative must complete Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) Child Care Standards. For each alternatively approved (AA) provider the sponsoring organization must ensure that the provider home conforms to the CACFP Child Care Standards. Any deficiencies noted must be corrected within 60 days. Corrective action must be documented. Place one copy in the provider's file, and leave one copy with the provider.

1. Organization: _____

2. Child Care Provider: _____

3. Staff/Child Ratio's: 1:6 See current enrollment forms for Child Care Child(ren) and provider's Own Child(ren)

- A provider may care for a maximum of four children at one time for compensation.
- A maximum of six children may be present at one time.
- All children ages birth through age 12, or a child age 13 or older who is a child with special needs are included in these ratios.
- No more than two children in care may be under the age of one year, unless a sibling group.
- If shift care is offered complete a shift/care schedule chart and attach to this form.

4. Nondiscrimination: **YES** **NO**

Are the same care services available to all children without discrimination on the basis of race, _____
color, national origin, sex or disability? _____

5. Safety and Sanitation:

a. Does this home have current (within past 12 months) fire/safety and health/sanitation permits? _____
Date of Fire Inspection _____ Date of Health Inspection _____

b. Does the home provider hold fire drills in accordance with fire and building safety requirements
at least once every six months? Describe practice for fire drills. _____

6. Suitability of Child Care Environment:

a. Are ventilation, temperature, and lighting adequate for children's safety and comfort?
Is the temperature between 68° or 85°F? _____

b. Does the provider enforce a non-smoking rule around children? _____

c. Is the home and yard area maintained in a condition that meets county health standards
for safety and sanitation? _____

d. Considering the ages of the children and the size of the group, are space and the
arrangement of equipment adequate for: _____

1) Periods of play? _____

2) Rest periods? _____

e. Does the provider safeguard potentially dangerous objects _____

1. Are firearms and ammunition stored separately under lock and key or combination lock? _____

7. Social Services:

Is the child care home provider aware that the sponsoring organization has procedures for referring
families of children in care to appropriate local health and social service agencies? _____

8. Health Services:

- a. Describe the procedure used by the provider to ensure prompt notification of the parent or guardian in the event of a child's injury or illness:

- b. Describe the methods used by provider which ensure prompt medical treatment in case of an emergency?

- c. Is each child observed daily for any indication of difficulties in social adjustment, illness, neglect, or abuse, and is appropriate action initiated if needed? _____

- d. Are first aid supplies available, do they appear adequate for basic first aid? Are emergency numbers posted by the provider telephone? _____

- e. Are the Provider and household members under 13 immunized? _____

- f. If applicable, describe provider provisions for children who require extra supervision. (e.g. Wheel chair assistance, special feeding)

9. Provider Training:

Has the provider received initial or annual training as applicable? _____

Date: _____ Place: _____

10. Are parents provided with the opportunity to observe their children in child care? _____

11. Self-Evaluation:

Describe the sponsor's procedure for periodic evaluation of the child care home on the basis of CACFP Child Care Standards

The Following corrective action(s) must be completed by _____.

Signature of Sponsoring Organization Representative

Date

Signature of Provider

Date

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